DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR ORIGINAL U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

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As a supplied inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: COMPOSITE DISK CLAMP ASSEMBLY FOR REDUCED CURVATURE AND COST the specification of which, is attached hereto. (check one) 2. was filed on <u>08/29/2003</u> U.S. Application Serial No. 10/651,598 and was amended on ______. was filed on International PCT Application Serial No. and was amended on _____ I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, CFR § 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: Priority Benefits Claimed? **Prior Foreign Application(s)** Yes No

(Filing Date) (Appl. No.) (Country) | |Yes | |No (Appl. No.) (Country) (Filing Date) Yes No (Appl. No.) (Country) (Filing Date) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below: (Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Filing Date) (Application Serial No.)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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